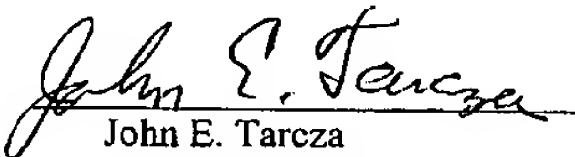


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Title: CREATION OF VARIABLE LENGTH AND SEQUENCE LINKER
REGIONS FOR DUAL-DOMAIN OR MULTI-DOMAIN MOLECULES

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 6, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004, wherein a one-month period for response was given, this response contains an attached petition for a one-month extension of time.

SUPPLEMENTAL ELECTION

In addition to the election made April 30, 2003, applicants elect
"actactgctactggtgctagtagtactactgctggtgctagt" SEQ ID NO:12 for the election of point C,
"species of repeated pattern of degenerate repeated triplet nucleotide"

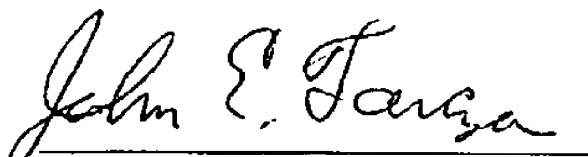
The requirement for a designated sequence for the randomized linker is inappropriate and illogical considering the invention. A specific sequence may be encompassed by any one of the members of the claimed library as claimed in the elected claims. However, no claim recites the sequence, none are limited to any specific linker sequence and all of the claims are directed to a library which has multiple different sequences contained therein. There is no preferred linker until one measures relative biological activity of each with attached domains.

Accordingly, the election of species requirement should be withdrawn in its entirety.

It is submitted that the restriction remains improper in part and that the election of species is improper in total. Withdrawal of the restriction requirement and substantive examination of claims 1-36, 44-45, 48 and 49 together, is respectfully requested.

The commissioner hereby is authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 CFR § 1.17, which may become due in connection with the instant application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500933.

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: December 6, 2004

Enclosure: Petition for a one-month extension of time

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